(b) if so, how many such cases are pending, State-wise and what steps are being taken to clear these cases; and

(c) whether some officials of the Ministry of Home Affairs have been caught red-handed by the CBI for accepting bribe in clearing Freedom Fighters' Pension cases, and if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MANIKRAO GAVIT): (a) No Sir. No case complete in all respects eligible for Swatantrata Sainik Samman Pension, duly verified and recommended by the State Governments is pending in the Ministry.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) On a specific complaint passed on to CBI by MHA that two staff members of Freedom Fighters Division of MHA had demanded bribe for clearing a pension case of a freedom fighter, CBI had laid a trap to nab them red-handed. One of them, Shri Harbhajan Dass, Assistant, was caught red-handed on 25.07.2003. A case has been registered against the officials under the relevant provisions of the IPC/Prevention of Corruption Act.

Police Station Administered by women

† 1368. SHRIMATI KUM KUM RAI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of States where Police Station administered by women have been set up in the country alongwith the number thereof;

(b) whether due to setting up of such women Police Stations, decrease in the women-related crimes have been registered; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MANIKRAO GAVIT) : (a) As per available information, State-wise number of police stations administered by women are indicated in the Statement. (*See* below)

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†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

(b) and (c) As per statistics of crimes against women (for the years 2001 & 2002) complied by the National Crime Records Bureau, some decrease in the number of cases reported has been noticed in some of the States where women police stations have been set up. These include the states of Goa, Gujarat, Orissa, Punjab, Rajasthan, Tamil Nadu, Uttar Pradesh and Union Territory of Andaman & Nicobar Islands.

It however needs to be stressed that the Primary objective of setting up of women adminstered police stations is to create a sense of confidence and security amongst women and encouraging them to approach the police stations and reports cases of crime against women.

Statement

Women Police Stations as on 01.01.2003

Sl. No.	Name of State/UT	No. of Police Stations
1.	Andhra Pradesh	27
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	0
3.	Assam	1
4.	Bihar	0
5.	Chhattisgarh	3
6.	Goa	1
7.	Gujarat	7
8.	Haryana	1
9.	Himachal Pradesh	0
10.	Jammu & Kashmir	2
11.	Jharkhand	0
12	Karnataka	10
13.	Kerala	3
14.	Madhya Pradesh	9
15.	Maharashtra	0
16.	Manipur	1
17.	Meghalaya	0

Sl. No.	Name of State/UT	No. of Police Stations
18.	Mizoram	1
19.	Nagaland	0
20.	Orissa	6
21.	Punjab	4
22.	Rajasthan	12
23.	Sikkim	0
24.	Tamil Nadu	109
25.	Tripura	1
26.	Uttar Pradesh	11
27	Uttaranchal	2
28.	West Bengal	0
29.	A & N Islands	1
30.	Chandigarh	0
31.	D & N Haveli	0
32.	Daman & Diu	0
33.	Delhi	0
34.	Lakshadweep	0
35.	Pondicherry	1
	All India	**213**

Source: Data on Police Organistaion in India

Working Condition of Paramilitary Personnel

1369. SHRI M.A.M. RAMASWAMY: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there has been marked increase in the cases of shooting of officers by personnel of paramilitary forces;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Central Government have conducted any study regarding the condition under which paramilitary personnel are working;

(d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and